



**STATE OF TEXAS
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Daily, we face new challenges and new opportunities, as our society becomes increasingly interconnected with others the world over. Our success in doing so requires an ongoing commitment to developing shared foundations of understanding and respect.

Developing this foundation ultimately requires reaching beyond our own borders, and building bridges toward greater awareness and understanding of the ties that characterize people the world over. Through this effort, we can better comprehend the perspective of others, and how it drives their interaction and viewpoints on issues of worldwide importance.

To highlight the significance of this issue, a week of awareness is launched during the month of November. In particular, this awareness campaign promotes the importance of an international education, which can be accomplished in a number of ways, among them, through education in foreign cultures, languages and geography.

At this time, therefore, I urge all Texans to expand their education in international issues through the many avenues that are available, including study abroad programs, classroom-to-classroom connections with students in foreign countries and information readily available at your local library.

Let us always be mindful of the important role international education plays in ensuring the successes of tomorrow and the promise and potential that are being nurtured for the generations to come.

Therefore, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim
November 13-17, 2006,

International Education Week



in Texas, and urge the appropriate
recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the
19th day of October, 2006.

Rick Perry
Governor of Texas